Amend the specification at page 54 as follows:

ABSTRACT

Novel IL 1-R intracellular ligand proteins and antibodies Antibodies to IL-1-R intracellular ligand proteins are disclosed. Polynucleotides encoding the IL-1-R intracellular ligand protein are also disclosed, along with vectors, host cells, and methods of making the IL-1-R intracellular ligand protein. Pharmaceutical compositions containing the IL-1-R intracellular ligand protein, methods of treating inflammatory conditions, and methods of inhibiting IL-1-R intracellular domain binding are also disclosed. Methods of identifying inhibitors of IL-1-R intracellular domain binding and inhibitors identified by such methods are also disclosed. The antibodies are useful for inhibiting the binding between IL-1R and IL-1-R intracellular ligand proteins.